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**Panther Creek Road Opened Following Repairs**

The Panther Creek Road between Napias Creek and the main Salmon River Road is now open to traffic following an emergency closure last week when high water washed out a section of the road about three and a half miles above the mouth of Panther Creek, according to Salmon-Cobalt District Ranger Kimberly Nelson. "The Forest Service Road Crew worked very hard on the 200 foot long stretch of road that washed out just below the Hade place and by Saturday afternoon the road was re-opened," Nelson said.

During the high water season the Forest Service will continue to monitor the Panther Creek Road, the Salmon River road from North Fork to Corn Creek and other roads located next to streams. Drivers are urged to be extra cautious while driving on such roads located on steep hillsides where rock fall and mudslides can occur.